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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government is aware that it was for the eleventh time that an air passenger had died in six months in Mumbai as reported in the `Times of India` dated May 21, 2007;

(b): if so, the facts alongwith the action taken against the errant officials in this regard;

(c): whether the emergency facilities were not available for the passsengers during odd hours; and

(d): if so, corrective steps the Government proposes to take to prevent happening of such incidents at all Airports of the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a),(b)& (c): Mumbai International Airport Pvt. Limited (MIAL)which has been mandated to operate, manage and develop the Mumbai airport, has informed that there were nine deaths between November 2006 and May 2007. With respect to the death of Shri Jaisingh Chauhan as reported in the news article, the passenger illness was not reported to the airport medical staff. Hence, there has been no failure on the part of the airport officials. Medical aid is available at the airport round the clock.

(d): Ambulance Services and Emergency Medicines are available at all operational airports as a part of Airport Rescue & Fire Services and the same are used during aircraft and other emergencies at the airports.